

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Docket No. 458300)

	application of: ier et al))	
Serial	No.: 09/349,575	,))	Examiner:
Filed:	July 8, 1999)))	Group Art Unit
For:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING BRUSHLESS DC MOTORS IN IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICES))))	

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

STATUS LETTER

Sir:

In our periodic review of the status of the pending applications on our docket, we note that there has been no office action in the above application.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner inform applicant's attorney with respect to the status of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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